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Mr. Bernard S. Cram
Chief of Law Enforcement
Fish and Game Department
Concord, New Hampshire

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Dear Mr. Cram:

This is in response to your letter of July 25th, requesting our opinion as to whether the expense of measures taken by your Department to prevent bear damage can be charged against the General Fund under RSA 470:1. Incidentally, this section now appears in RSA (supp) as 207:23a. Under this section compensation is provided for damage done to livestock by bear and the compensation is a charge against the General Fund.

In our opinion expenses incurred through preventative measures cannot be charged against General Funds under said section. This section extends no further than reimbursement of the owners of livestock for damages done by bear.

Very truly yours,

Elmer T. Bourque
Assistant Attorney General

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